day to outdo all previous records there for desperate struggles between employers and wage-earners. The lumber dealers today aggressively transformed threatened strikes into virtual lockouts.

zen lumber companies were quickly A dozen lumber companies were quickly added to those previously involved in the ramifications of the teamsters' strike. In each case orders to deliver material to

## strike-bound firms brought firm refusal from drivers. Discharge of the driver followed instantly, with quick retaliation ensuing in a strike of his fellow teamsters. Industrial War Possible.

Industrial war, with a possibility of martial law looming up in the background, describes the situation into which the comparatively incipient teamsters' strike of a few weeks ago has developed and which threatens Chicago today.

Peace prospects have faded away, along with the vanishing hop s of concessions that might have been rade by the express

The express agents, holding the key to the situation so far as any apparent chance of settlement was concerned, have refused to retreat one inch from their previously an-nounced position, all negotiations were at an end, and employers and teamsters began preparing for a vigorous campaign of in-

nite length. Mayor Dunne and Sheriff Barrett were prepared to give the signal that would bring the state troops into the streets of the city at the first indication of an outbreak following the newly developed situation. Gov. Deneen was ready to respond to the call at almost a second's notice.

### OCEAN YACHT RACERS.

### Contestants for the Kaiser's Cup Sighted at Sea.

Special Disputch to The Star. NEW YORK, May 24.-Spoken for the first time since the eleven yachts started on the transatlantic race for the kaiser's cup a week ago today, the Utowana, Allison V. Armour's three-masted schooner, was today reported as having been seen by an incoming steamship. Until yesterday she was the only one of the eleven racers that had not been seen at somewhere or other by passing steamships after the yacht disappeared into the fog of the afternoon

The Utowana was without doubt the three-masted black hulled schooner yacht which the Dutch oil tank steamship Lacampine, in port this morning from Ant-werp, passed at 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 21. In latitude 40.40, longitude 62.15. The only other three-masted black-hulled schooner yacht in the race was the Atlantic, and reports indicate that at that time the Atlantic was many miles ahead.

The report brought in by Lacampine indicates that Mr. Armour's yacht was on Sunday afternoon hopelessly in the rear. She had then logged by 540 nautical miles, after being 100 hours out, at the slow average speed of 5.4 knots an hour.

The Atlantic was three hours later, spoken by the Bremen, in latitude 41, longitude 56, and 827 miles east of Sandy Hook. It can thus be seen that on Sunday the Atlantic was leading the Utowana by nearly 250 miles. According to calculations the Utowana was even behind the Old Sun-beam, which was reported 827 miles east of New York on Monday, May 22, at 1:40 a.m., but nine hours later. The slow time made by the Utowana is a great surprise to her supporters, and they fail to understand why she should be the laggard of

They go so far as to suggest that the captain of Lacampine made a mistake in the date and that he really sighted Utowana on Saturday. This suggestion is borne out in some degree by the fact that the steamship Westerland, which arrived in Philadelphia yesterday, sighted a schoo-ner yacht 520 miles east of Sandy Hook in latitude 40.48, longitude 60.2, at 1:15 p.m.

on Saturday, May 20.

The Westerland believed the Yacht to be the Atlantic, but as previous reports in-dicate that the Atlantic was far ahead of that point at that time, Mr. Armour's friends believe that the yacht was really the Utowana.

ontestants in the transatlantic race for the Emperor William cup, was sighted at 4 p.m. on May 21 by the oil tank steamer Lacampine 540 miles due east of Sandy Hook lightship. The tank steamer reported sighting the yacht when she arrived here today from officers of the Lacampine said they

passed within a quarter of a mile of the sailing vessel, and while they were unable to distinguish her signals or name, they were satisfied from her lines that she was the Utowana. Atlantic, another of the racing

yachts, which was reported several days ago as sighted late at night on the 20th, had covered nearly 700 miles up to that

#### WILL FAST TWENTY-ONE DAYS. Vienna Has a Sensational Fasting Exploit-Incased in Glass.

Special Cablegram to The Star. VIENNA, May 24.-Sacco, the "hunger artist," began a twenty-one-day fast today in a cafe on the Prater. He is confined in a small cabinet with cemented glass sides. He depends for sustenance upon a small flackful of some secret preparation, which is unedible and undrinkable, and only breathable. He will be watched night and day by relays of firemen, besides some doc-

tors and the public Sacco was last heard from in Berlin in September, where he had himself bricked in and could be seen only through a small grated window. But the students conceived the idea that he was a fraud and stoned him through his window till the police interfered, arresting some of his persecutors and digging Sacco out and for-bidding any further public exhibitions of

#### WOMAN HELD FOR MURDER. Mystery Surrounds the Death of an Ohio Farmer.

McARTHUR, Ohio, May 24 .- J. M. Specht, a farmer and miller, has been shot and killed today by Mrs. Emma Flynn, formerly of Columbus. Mrs. Flynn was arrested today on a charge of murder. She claims that late last night she noticed what she supposed to be a tramp loking into her window, and that, securing a revolver, she fired through the glass and barricaded her-

Specht's body was found by his family this morning on the lawn in front of the Flynn home Mrs. Specht and Mrs. Flynn are cousins, and the families have been on the best of

# SHAW IN THE SOUTHWEST.

# Making Speeches in Oklahoma and In-

dian Territories. OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., May 24.—Secretary Shaw of the Treasury Department, went to El Reno on a special train today at the invitation of the chamber of commerce

of this city. He spoke there before the territorial Sunday school convention. Returning here this afternoon he left immediately for Ardmore, I. T., where he will deliver an address before the chamber of

commerce tonight.

# Personal Mention.

Governor Warfield of Maryland is expected to visit the Department of Agriculture tomorrow between 1:30 and 3 o'clock. and will incidentally inspect the schoolgarden work being conducted on the grounds with the sixth grade boys of the Mr. Claude Bennett has returned after an absence of two months in Cuba and the

# Movements of Naval Vessels.

The cruiser Raleigh left Shanghai yesterday for Cavite. The Hornet has arrived at this city and the cruiser Lawton at Honolulu

# Returned From Mexico.

Col. Myron M. Parker, Senator Latimer and Representative Blackburn have returned to Washington from a trip to Mex-

Governor of Caucasus Province Assassinated Today.

CLOSE CALL FOR CHIEF

SIEDLEE OFFICER INJURED BY A BOMB EXPLOSION.

Hurled at Him by An Unknown Man, Who Escaped-Three Others Were Hurt.

BAKU, Caucasia, May 24.-The governor of Baku, Prince Makachidze, was assassinated at 3 p.m. today by a bomb which was thrown at his carriage.

A lieutenant who was accompanying the governor and a bystander were also killed by the explosion, and the coachman is be-

lieved to have been fatally injured.

Bomb Thrown at Police Chief. WARSAW, Russian Poland, May 24 .-The chief of police of Siedlee, capital of the government of that name, was severely injured by the explosion of a bomb at midnight. He was sitting on the veranda of a club when an unknown man approached and hurled a bomb at him. The missile, however, fell short, but exploded near enough to the chief of police for fragments to injure him seriously.

Three other persons were also injured. The man who threw the bomb escaped.

To Restrict Debates by Reformers.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 24.-The government has now taken formal measures to prevent the zemstvos, doumas and other provincial and district institutions from indulging in unrestricted debate and adopt ing resolutions on the subject of a change in the form of government. Interior Minister Bouligin has issued a circular de-claring that such discussions do not come within the scope of the imperial ukase issued March 3, granting the people freedom to petition the emperor through the committee of ministers on all matters relating

to their general welfare.

The ruling in effect is that this privilege only applies to the people as individuals and that organized institutions must confine themselves to questions within their com petency. The duty of enforcing this inhibi-tion is imposed on the presiding officers, who will be amenable to prosecution for permitting infractions. The circular was plainly designed to put an end to the political agitation which has been openly in progress in the zemstvos

and doumas throughout the empire. Measure to Increase War Funds.

The commission appointed under the presidency of M. Kutler, assistant minister of the interior, to decide upon the measures to adopt in order to increase the revenues of the empire, has determined to recommend increased taxation to the amount necessary to meet the additional expenses on account of the war and is considering the question of an income tax from which the commission desires to raise \$25,000,000.

# GAPON'S ALLEGED STATEMENT.

Expresses Skepticism Regarding Rus-

sian Reforms—Anarchy is Feared. PARIS, May 24.-The Journal today re produces a statement recently made by Father Gapon, but the place and circum-NEW YORK, May 24-A three-masted stances of the statement are not disclosed schooner yacht, believed to be the Ameripolice on Gapon's track. The statement says in part:

"The most important effect of the events of January 22 has been to unify the various elements of the revolutionary movement. The chiefs of the two great revolutionary parties with whom I conferred recognize the complete change in the plans wrought by the events of January 22. Before that time the social democracy and other revolutionary organizations in Russia did not recognize openly the right to propagate the cause by the use of force, which was usually called by them terrorism, but which I call upholding the rights of the people. But the social democracy and the other groups now join in recognizing that the emancipation of the people warrants the use of any and all measures of force against the autocracy. I have conferred with the heads of many groups who are seeking co-ordinate methods with the view to provoking an uprising of the peo-

The statement expresses skepticism re garding the government's reforms, and says the return of Russia's defeated army will add an enormous body of malcontents to theranks of those already disaffected. While confident of the success of the revolutionary movement, Gapon says internal rivalries and quarreis between the revolutionary forces have delayed carrying out their plans.

"This," the former priest continues. "so far has prevented the formation of a central committee whose sole purpose will be to direct an uprising of the people, but who are working toward the formation of this committee. My special end is to see the committee realized, as it will be the embryo of the future provisory government. We have already created a system of correspondence between the groups for the purpose of bringing about complete organization. Unless the revolutionists themselves succeed in forming a systematic organization I fear we shall witness a period of veritable an-archy and chaos in Russia. It is the day after a revolution which is to be the mos dreaded—when the people are unrestrained by any organization. If the revolutionary have been spared the months of this des-perate struggle, and it is because we wish to avert bloodshed that we organize now toward securing a prompt and orderly realization of the end we consider thevi

# OPPOSED TO PROSELYTING. Moscow Paper to Fight Against Re-

ligious Toleration. ST. PETERSBURG, May 24.-The Moscow Gazette, the leading reactionary organ in Russia, has begun a bitter war against religious toleration, arguing that it will

wipe out orthodoxy in the non-orthodox sections of the country. The paper declares that 450,000 Russians in Poland will come under the influence of Roman Catholicism if the Catholics are permitted to proselyte. "The ukase has already had a deplorable

effect on the Russian mujiks," says the Gazette, "among whom stories are current that the emperor is under the influence of the pope. It is even said that the emperor will become a Catholic and that the mujiks who do not desire to be converted to Catholicism will be transported and compelled to live in three provinces."

The paper concludes: "This is not a religious war, but a Russo-Polish national The Novoe Vremya this morning attacks

what it terms the "insatiable demands of the Jews," who, the paper declares, are "exploiting Russia for the benefit of their pockets, but do not show a particle of patriotism, being the real instigators of the revolutionary movement."

# Flag Transferred to the Ohio.

Rear Admiral Charles J. Train, commanding the United States naval forces on the Asiatic station, has notified the Navy Department by cable that he has transferred his flag from the battleship Wisconsin to the newer battleship Ohio, which recently arrived at Cavite from San Fran-

Gen. Oliver Acting as Secretary. Assistant Secretary Oliver is acting Secretary of War in the temporary absence Secretary Taft.

COL. MAY'S PROTEST KEPT OUT OF SCHOOLS URGED TO TAKE ACTION BUCKEYE REPUBLICANS AS TO FIXING RATES

FILES LETTER WITH THE SECRE-REFLECTIONS ON PRESIDENT.

Questions the Right of General Har-The circulation among the pupils of the local public schools of the May issue of ries to Dismiss Him From the "Our Dumb Animals." a Boston periodical, has been prohibited in an official order to the supervising principals by Superintendent A. T. Stuart, on account of three articles which it contains, and in which there is criticism of President Roosevelt for

Col. Henry May, commanding the recently disbanded 1st Regiment of the National Guard of the District, has addressed a letter to the Secretary of War protesting against the action of Brig. Gen. Harries, commanding the District militia, in discharging him from the National Guard organization. The letter of Col. May has not been made public, but it is understood that he questions the legal right of Gen. Harries to summarily discharge him from all connection with the National Guard organization, unless such action is taken with the full knowledge and approval of the President of the United States, from whose hands Col. May received his commission as an officer of the National Guard.

TARY OF WAR.

National Guard.

Secretary Taft has referred Col. May's letter to Gen. Davis, judge advocate general of the army, for a legal opinion as to the authority of Gen. Harries in disbanding the 1st Regiment of Infantry, D. C. N. and discharging its commander, Col. May. Pending the receipt of a report from Judge Advocate General Davis, no action will be taken by the War Department in the matter. It is expected that Gen. Davis' opinion will be ready for submission to Sec-retary Taft soon after the latter returns to

The case will eventually go to the President for action, as even if he should authorize the Secretary of War to take final action in regard to the disbandment of the 1st Regiment and the discharge of Col. May, the President would be called upon to issue commissions for the new officers in the National Guard under the proposed reorganization of the 1st Regiment.

#### SHOULD NOT WALK SYLPHLIKE. Important Action of the National Dressmakers' Association.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

CHICAGO, May 24.-The National Dressmakers' Association decided last night that women should not try to "walk like a sylph." Mme. Linda Ross Wade laid down the law to more than 100 dressmakers crowded into a parlor at the Victoria Hotel. "No self-respecting American woman," she said, "will attempt to walk down the street like a ridiculous sylph." The dressmakers made other rules. A dec-laration of independence from the French model was declared. Concerning the French model and the American girl, Mme. Wade had this to say:

"We want American fashions for American women. The American woman is not built on the French plan. Therefore she cannot wear French gowns. French men and French women are not any more fashionable than we are. They are different, but not more fashionable. We shall let them take their hints from us after to-

The hoop skirt came in for its share. It was the modified hoop skirt. Its ancestor of the ante-bellum days hardly would have recognized it.

### PITCHED BATTLE IN OPEN ROAD Between Officers and Family of Illinois Man.

Special Dispatch to The Star. WAVERLY, Ill., May 24.-In a pitched battle on the open road a mile from here between officers and the family of W. W. Paul, the father and one of his sons were killed outright and Deputy Sherifi Breeden seriously wounded. As the Paul family, not know that she does. But the Humane sons, were leaving their home for Frederickstown a constable appeared with papers

to replevin a mare and colt.

The elder Paul drove the constable away. Then the latter secured a warrant for Sheriff Turner, who took Deputies Canfield and Breeden with him. The deputies overhauled the Paul family and commanded them to halt. Deputy Breeden started to alight from the buggy in which he was riding. There followed a quick report from the gun in the hands of one of the Pauls. Breeden fell to the ground with a load of shot in his left shoulder.
Immediately there followed a fusillade of shots. When the smoke of the battle cleared away Paul and his son Clifford were dead.

# EMPIRE DAY IN LONDON.

Anniversary of the Birth of the Late Queen Observed.

LONDON, May 24.-Empire day, the anniversary of the birth of the late Queen Victoria, May 24, 1819, was more widely observed this year in London and the provinces than heretofore. Flags were displayed everywhere and there were special commemorative exercises in the schools

The most prominent feature was a big review of troops at Aldershot by the king. while the leading event in London was the unveiling in St. Paul's Cathedral by the Prince of Wales of the sculptured memorial designed and executed by Princess Louise (Duchess of Argyll) "to the 4,000 brave sons of Britain over the seas who laid down their lives for the mother country in the South African war." Telegrams from South Africa, Australia and the other colonies generally indicate a widespread observance of the holiday.

# PRESBYTERIAN COUNCIL.

Today's Session of General Assembly -Foreign Missions.

WINONA LAKE, Ind., May 24 .- The parties had been properly organized to general assembly of the Presbyterian strike a united blow January 22 we would Church today took up the subject of foreign missions. The report of the board was read by Dr. G. N. Lacock of Chicago. The report showed the expenditures for the work in Africa, China, India, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Persia, the Philippines, Siam, Lagos, South America and Syria.

The receipts for the year ended in April were \$1,184,778; disbursements, \$1,188,420. A deficit of \$41,000 in 1904 has been reduced to \$38,762. The total receipts from churches, ladies' auxiliaries, young people's societies, gifts and legacies were \$128,123. From 1870 to 1904 inclusive the board has received from the woman's board and the various societies \$7,695,661.

The report urged special Christmas and New Year contributions from Sabbath schools, and asked for \$1,500,000 for foreign mission work next year. A new church in Korea was recommended. Secretary A. W. Halsey of the board spoke on the report. He said not half of the enormity of the atrocities on the Congo river was known, and that a day of reck-

## oning was coming for the King of Belgium. Thieves Robbed Grand Duke's Aid.

PARIS, May 24.-Thieves yesterday entered the apartments in a hotel of Grand Duke Nicholas of Russia, who is passing through Paris, accompanied by his aid-decamp, Col. Brunner. The thieves secured jewels valued at \$2,000 belonging to Col. Brunner.

Effort to Stop Duelling Progressing. HANOVER, Prussia, May 24.-Prince von Loewenstein, president of the Anti-Duelling League, said at a meeting here today of the northwestern branch of the organization that the movement to suppress duelling was making rapid progress. The Prussian war ministry, he added, had been won over and now expressly permitted retired officers

Report Favorable to Princess Louise. PARIS, May 24.-The two doctors who were appointed a court to examine into the mental condition of Princess Louise of Saxe-Coburg have handed in their report, the conclusions of which are clearly favorable to the princess. This is the second time that the princess has been examined by physicians appointed by the French tribunals and declared sane.

PAPER CONTAINING ALLEGED EFFORT TO INTEREST THE PRES-

ject of insurance legislation.

shooting wild game in the west recently, and also for his action in Cuba during the

war with Spain. For some time past this publication has been circulated among the pupils in connection with the work of a lady who acts as the local agent of the Humane Society in organizing "Bands of Mercy" among the younger children. The local society, however, has not authorized by any act this circulation, and in fact neither it nor the agent sent the May issue to the schools. The number of the paper came direct from Boston by mail.

Superintendent Steuart stated this afternoon to a Star reporter that his action in prohibiting the circulation of the paper was in no way a reflection on the local organization, whose work among the school chil-dren he and the board of education heartily approved. The order was issued after con-sultation between Mr. Stuart and J. Holdsworth Gordon, the president of the board. The articles referred to appear as editorial utterances and all three are signed with the name "Geo. T. Angell."

The first is headed "President Roosevelt Has Shot a Bear" and criticises the President Roosevelt Has Shot a Bear" and criticises the President Roosevelt Rooseve dent for shooting a bear—"whether a male or female bear" was not stated—and for permitting a caged bear to be conveyed in the procession which greeted him at the hunting grounds.

Some of the Charges.

Upder the title "The Rough Rider Regiment's Horses" the writer states this regiment "seems to have been as proud as a city hoodlum of the name 'rough,' " and says also that some of its horses were sold at auction in New York in a pitiable condition. The President is criticised for shouting, "Give them hell, boys!" in Cuba, which order, says the writer, doubtless caused the death of many an American soldier.
"Roosevelt's Rough Riders' Reception" is the caption of the other article. In it the President is criticised for making up a reg-

ment of "rough" soldiers from Texas. Mr. Stuart's Reasons. "The articles in question were, in my opinion, an insult to the President of the United States," says Mr. Stuart, "and I regarded it as my duty to call the attention of the president of the board to them. Mr. Gordon agreed with me, and the order prohibiting the circulation of the May number of the magazine was issued. I believe I am right. The articles criticised the President, and were not such as should be placed in the hands of children to prejudice their youthful minds against the chief executive, However, the matter will be brought up before the board formally at its meeting tomorrow night, when official action will

#### Mr. Snow's Comment. President C. A. Snow of the local Humane Society made the following state-

ment today: "I see it stated in this morning's paper that the Washington Humane Society has been circulating 'Our Dumb Animals' in the public schools, and that this paper has been barred by the superintendent of schools because its May issue contained a

undoubtedly be had."

criticism of the President for shooting "The Humane Society of Washington is actively engaged in circulating humane literature, and it may be that its agent distributes 'Our Dumb Animals,' though I do consisting of father, wife and three grown | Society of Washington should not be held responsible for the folly that even well-intentioned papers published in Boston and

elsewhere sometimes contain. 'I do not think that I misrepresent the Humane Society when I say it approves as humane the destruction of bears and other ferocious carnivora. The man that kills them is by his act and his example a benefactor. The wolves, bears, panthers and wild cats slain by the President are predatory and destructive of cattle, deer, elk and other harmless, useful, herbiverous animals. Mr. Roosevelt is conspicuous among sportsmen in that he does not shoot birds or small, harmless animals. Mr. Stuart will report his action to the board of education this evening.

# WON MEDICAL PRIZE.

London Physician's Important Sensory Nerve Discoveries.

Special Cablegram to The Star LONDON, May 21.-The Marshall Hall prize, given every five years by the Royal Medical Society, has been awarded to Henry Head, M. A., M. D., physician at the London Hospital, for an important discovery in connection with the nervous system. Dr. Head had the sensory nerves of one of his arms divided, and watched the sensations. Then he had the nerves united by stitching and watched the process of recovery.

The result was that he discovered there are two distinct sets of sensory nerves, one that conveys the sensations of pain, heat and cold, and the other the sensations of touch. The discovery also enables the accurate localization of the sensations. The healing power of the skin is found to depend entirely opon the former set of nerves.

### THIRD KILLING FROST. Pennsylvania Farmers Report Cherry Trees Damaged.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., May 24 .- For the third successive morning there was a killing frost throughout this section of the state this morning. Farmers who have examined cherry buds say the fruit has been entirely destroyed.

# Pioneer German Actress Dead.

MUNICH, Bavaria, May 24.-Amalle Schoenchen, an actress who was well known on the German stage for fifty years, died last night, at the age of seventy-one. She suddenly forgot her lines while rehearsing her role at the Deutsch Theater at Berlin a week ago and fell on the stage from weakness. The late actress visited the United States.

In Memory of Bishop Brooks. Tuesday, May 30, the alumni of Harvard University will present to the Virginia Theological Seminary a memorial tablet in honor of Bishop Phillips Brooks of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The dedication services will be held in the seminary chapel.

The Right Rev. R. A. Gibson of Virginia will conduct a short preliminary service. after which Rev. Dr. Floyd Tomkins of Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia, will make the presentation address on behalf of the Harvard alumni,

The address of acceptance will be made by Rev. Dr. Carl Grammar of Norfolk. The presentation committee, together with a number of other Harvard students, will be present at the service.

#### Burns Prove Fatal. Lewis Brown, one of the colored children

who was scalded with coffee at the home of his parents, 702 M street southeast, yesterday afternoon, died at the Children 3 Hospital this afternoon. His parents were notified of his death, and the body will probably be removed to the family resi-

Dog Supposed to Be Mad.

Sergt. David Dunigan of the fourth pre-

cinct shot and killed a supposed mad dog

this morning at the house of Timothy Conner, 1000 6th street southwest. The animal belonged to Mr. Connor, and had bitten two of his children. Ehrard Adolf Matthlessen died at his

years prior to 1867 was a partner in the banking house of August Belmont.

IDENT IN EQUITABLE AFFAIRS.

An effort was made today to induce President Roosevelt to take an active interest in the complications which have arisen in the affairs of the Equitable Life Assurance Society. Clarence Whitman, president of the Merchants' Association of New York. had a conference with the President on the subject. Details of the conference were not obtainable, but it is known that Mr. Whitman urged the President to take up the subject with a view either to ordering a government investigation or to making recommendations to Congress on the sub-

Mr. Whitman's suggestion was not the first of its kind the President has ceived. In a letter from a prominent New York man, whose name is not disclosed, the President recently was urged strongly to institute an investigation of the Equitable's affairs by government officials. It can be said that, up to this time, the way clear 6 o'clock this morning, only a few minutes the President has not seen his way clear to the taking of any action in the case of the Equitable company specifically. Some general investigation of insurance corporations has been made already by the bureau of corporations, but it is understood that the information obtained was purely of a general character, such as might be gathered by anybody sufficiently interested in the subject to make the inquiries necessary to develop the facts.

Commissioner Garfield of the bureau of corporations is engaged now in an effort to determine whether the government has au-thority to make an investigation of a specific character into the insurance question without action on the matter by Congress. The impression is general in official circles that the commissioner probably would have no power to make such an inquiry, unless it first were authorized by Congress.

What, if any, action may be taken by the government, at the instance of the President, cannot be indicated at this time, It is understood, however, not to be unlike the President may discuss the subject and make some recommendations regarding it in a message to Congress.

## GOLF AT CHEVY CHASE.

#### Women's Tournament Started With Favorable Conditions.

The annual spring golf tournament for women, under the auspices of the Chery Chase Club, was inaugurated this morning under the most favorable conditions, the weather being perfect and the entry 1 st a large one.

the rank and file of the party because of it, as is natural among a high protection people like those of Ohio.

The railroad rate plank proposed has brought a number of railroad attorneys to the city, and it looks as though the planks of this subject would be more conservative than that proposed and which would give to the intersate commerce commission the absolute power to make Today's play consisted of a handleap stroke competition, eight best gross scores to qualify for match play. Tomorrow the first and second rounds of match play will be the program, and on Friday the semifinals and finals. The tournament is strictly a club affair. a small coterie of men to bankrupt any or every railroad in the United States. On The entry list turned into the greens'

committee this morning included thirty-one names, as follows: Miss M. Oliver, Mrs. O. McCammon, Mrs. T. T. Gaff, Miss Gaff, Mrs. C. Thom, Miss McCammon, Mrs. Frailey, Mrs. Lockwood, Miss Benham, Mrs. Pettus, Miss Wetmore, Mrs. Perkins, Miss Patten, Mrs. de Koven, Mrs. Hodges, Mrs. Tuckerman, Miss McKeever, Miss Letter-man, Miss Riggs, Miss Boardman, Miss Merriam, Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Poor, Mrs. Denny, Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. Hinckley, Mrs. Crawford, Baroness du Tuyll, Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. Loring and Miss Alexander. The han-dicaps run from 2 strokes to 30, Miss Oliver and Mrs. O. McCammon. playing from scratch.

There is a handsome prize offered for the best gross score today, and a first and sec-ond prize for the best twi in match play presented by Mrs. Percy King and Mrs. Only four couples went over the course this morning, a large majority going out

this afternoon, as only eighteen holes are necessary in the qualifying round.
Following are the scores turned in up to 2:30 this afternoon: Gross. H'cap. Net. Miss Oliver ... Mrs. McCammon...... 101 Mrs Frailey ... Miss Benham.... Mrs. Pettus..... 139 METROPOLITAN GOLF TOURNEY.

Field of Over Seventy Golfers Started Contest Today-Travis Playing. NEW YORK, May 24.-With a field of over seventy golfers, the seventh annual contest for the Metropolitan golf championship was begun today over the links of the

Fox Hills Golf Club on Staten Island. Walter J. Travis, for whose British championship title many prominent players are competing at Prestwick, Scotland, this week, was one of the earliest contestants to "tee off," going out with Harold Wilcox, the Montelair school boy who won last

year's event. other players include John M. Ward of the Fox Hills Club, Charles H. Seeley of Stamford, Conn., and E. M. Byers of Pittsburg, who is entered from the St. Andrew's Golf Club. The weather conditions were almost perfect.

Howard J. Gee, a Chicago boy who has been playing with fair success on the Princeton team, went around in 78, equalling Travis' score for the first half. Dwight Patridge of Garden City, who holds the interscholastic golf championship title, turned in an 83. Marshall Whitlatch of Mount Clair and John M. Ward of the Fox Hills Club each had 80. Gee's card follows: 

Travis' score was: In..... Travis' ca card for the first half of the qualifying round of thirty-six holes medal play today was seventy-eight. He went out and came in with thirtynine each way. Wilcox, who played along with him, took eighty-three strokes, taking an eight for the fourth hole and a seven for the thirteenth, while Travis had a five and a six for the same holes respectively. The next best scores among the earlier pairs were made by G. T. Brokaw and C. A. Dunning of Rye, N. each of whom turned in an eighty-

E. M. Byers of Pittsburg turned in the lowest card for the morning round-a total 

Archie Graham of Paterson, N. J., was the third man to turn in a score of 78 for the morning round, and Charles H. Seeley of Stamford, Conn., who played with him, was a stroke behind him, with 79.

#### TRAGEDY IN CALIFORNIA. Man Killed Wife and Three Children. Then Committed Suicide.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 24.—It is reported that a man named Peterson, at Rose Valley, Marin county, early today shot and killed his wife, shot his five children, killing three of them outright, and then committed suicide BIG FIRE AT MANSFIELD.

#### Ohio Foundry Suffered Loss of Fully \$100,000. MANSFIELD, Ohio, May 24.-Fire origi

nating in the foundry department of the Ohio Brass Company today destroyed a large part of the plant. The damage, it is estimated, will amount to \$100,000 or more. The loss is fully covered by insurance. FOREIGN BANK STATEMENTS.

Reports From Berlin, London and Paris. BERLIN, May 24.-Exchange on London, 20 marks, 48% pfennigs for checks. Discount rates-Short bills, 14 per cent; three months' bills, 21/4 per cent.

ion taken into the Bank of England on balance today, £165,000. PARIS, May 14.-Three per cent rentes

LONDON, May 24.-The amount of bull-

OHIO STATE CONVENTION AT CO-LUMBUS THIS AFTERNOON.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

Interest in Conferences of Party Leaders and Secretary Taft's Address -Nominations Tomorrow.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, May 24.-Though the

republican state convention will not reach

the work of making nominations until to-

morrow, its most important work will be

done today. Interest centers in the con-

ference of the party leaders on the plat-

form and the address of Secretary Taft

upon assuming the temporary chairman-

ship of the convention at 4 o'clock this

evening. Gov. Herrick's train was delayed

and he did not arrive from Vicksburg until

before Secretary Taft, who is to be his

guest while in this city, arrived from Wash-

The delay in the governor's arrival pre-

vented a resolutions conference of leaders

that was planned for midnight last night

Senator Dick joined the governor and Secretary Taft at the governor's residence

early in the forenoon, and George B. Cox

of Cincinnati is to meet with them immedi-

tinued also as the permanent one, so that Secretary Taft will be presiding when the

platform is reported to the convention to-

morrow, but there is no ground for the re-

port that he will feel the platfom pulled

from under him when he hears the tariff

No Canal Censure Resolutions.

It is quite certain now that there will be

no censure of the canal commission for its

proposition to purchase supplies abroad.

The matter may not be mentioned at all.

If it is it will be merely expressed as the

sentiment of the convention that since the

people of the United States are to be taxed

for the construction of this canal, which is

for the use of all the people of the world, it is but fair that the necessary purchases

shall be made from the products of their

The party leaders are not inclined to

stand against the canal commission in this

matter, but there is some feeling among

commission the absolute power to make

rates where in their opinion the rates of-

fered are unreasonable.

The railroad representatives argue that

such a law would place it in the power of

this matter, and, in fact, all the important

matters to be treated by the platform, it is

likely to make conservative utterances. The

tection will be reaffirmed.
President Roosevelt's administration will

be warmly indorsed. Internal improve-ments will be urged, and especially the im-

provement of the Ohio river. State bank inspection will be demanded. The main-

tenance of state canals will be urged. A

resolution favoring a general county salary law will be adopted, but it will be general

in terms and leave the details to the legis-

William F. Gass, sergeant-at-arms.

nominated at tomorrow's session without

opposition. There is some opposition to the

LOCAL BIDDERS' LUCK.

ment of the Interior.

ing of the maps of the states and insular

possessions A. B. Graham was given

For printing 25,000 maps of the United

States for free distribution by senators

and representatives, Rebecca Restein of

The department will insist upon the

precautions in the execution of this work

in view of the fire which destroyed the

maps and plates for the map two years

For furnishing supplies to the Howard

University the following local firms have

Within a week contracts will be award-

ed for furnishing the Interior Depart-

ernment Hospital for the Insane with its

Warfield at Post Office Department.

Governor Warfield of Maryland was in

consultation today with the Postmaster

General. After leaving the office the

governor said that his talk with Mr. Cor-

telyou had been on private matters, but it

is believed that it was in relation to secur-

ing for his company, the Fidelity and De-

posit Company of Maryland, the contract for bonding the various employes of the Post Office Department. The company has had a great deal of this business in the

past and wants more. In the aggregate it amounts to a considerable sum in the

Philadelphia Concern Barred.

A fraud order was issued today by the

Post Office Department against the Frank-

termed frauds in connection with farm

mortgages. It is said that the practice of

this concern was to induce farmers to ap-

ply for loans on their property, paying a retainer fee of \$10. The fee was all the

company was after and the loans were not

Capt. Schulz Ordered to Cuba.

ment with general supplies and the Gov

furnishings for the next fiscal year.

Philadelphia, Pa., gets the contract.

the contract. The engraving necessary

for these maps will be done by R. F. Bar-

tle & Co., also of this city.

received contracts:

course of a year.

Callao since June, 1903.

party's adherence to the principle of pro-

the rank and file of the party becaus

The temporary organization will be

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By Associated Press

NO RADICAL ACTION

AGREEMENT IN OPPOSITION TO DISCRIMINATING RATES.

Effect on Senate Committee

of the Testimony Heard.

Differentials and the Question of Uniform Mileage Likely to Be Intricate Problems.

Now that the Senate committee on interstate commerce has finished the taking of testimony on the proposition looking to the fixing of railroad rates by a government commission, together with other forms for the extension of federal supervision over the great interstate transportation compa nies of the country, much interest is felt as to the impression that this testimony has made on the minds of the thirteen senators who compose that committee.

Many who have followed these proceedngs carefully are convinced that the committee will not recommend any bill to the Senate favoring any plan for turning over to any government commission the power to fix railroad rates. The interstate commerce commission now has the power to declare that a particular rate is excessive, and then it lies with the railroad company either to accept that decision and lower the particular rate or to resist the reduction

government rate fixing that when the commission decides that a rate is excessive it can as readily decide what the rate should be and at once fix it, having its decision go into effect at once, leaving the railroads the power to go into court to obtain a reversal of that decision. In this way the overnment commission would have power to fix not only the maximum but also the minimum rate. Even among those who have advocated government rate fixing there is a difference of opinion as to whether the government commission should be authorized to command the railroad to keep up certain rates when they might want to put them down to an abnormal degree as a result of severe competition. Most of the rate-fixing advocates say that it will be sufficient to authorize the commis-sion to keep the rates down, and that the

But one thing seems quite certain. The committee as a whole is not in sympathy with any plan for government rate fixing that will go beyond keeping rates reasonable. It is not likely that the committee can be counted upon to take any action that will go much beyond the present law on that subject. The members may agree on some plan for further expediting the work of the interstate commerce commis-sion, but they are likely to leave the power to fix railroad rates with the railroads themselves with the present legal restric-

COLUMBUS. Ohio, May 24 .- The republicans of Ohlo were represented by more than nations between shippers are indefensible eleven hundred delegates when the state on any ground, and should be effectually convention to nominate governor and other stopped. state officers was called to order this after-Such discriminations are now regarded as noon, while the big auditorium was well such discriminations are now regarded as chiefly confined to private car service and other special facilities provided by large shippers which form the basis of special concessions. It has been generally claimed filled by others who had been attracted by the fact that Secretary of War Taft, as opening speech in this year's political camban that an enforcement of the Elkins act would defeat all such discriminations, but paign. The preliminaries of organization were speedily gone though, John R. Mal-

bringing about the remedy

The subject of differentials and rate discriminations between communities has proved to be the most vexed question that the committee has had to deal with. Philadelphia, Baltimore and all the southern ports are given a more favorable rate on the through shipments of staple articles from the west than is given to New York and Boston, on the ground that the natural advantages of New York and Boston are so great that unless such a differential were allowed the ports from Philadelphia southward along the Atlantic and gulf ports would be practically abandoned for export shipments for the great products of the for west and northwest. railroads can make such a distinction in dealing with the seaports, it is questionable

do so, and in that one fact is said to be a tremendous argument for the southern senators to proceed cautiously.

The destruction of such a differential, it is said, would deal a death blow to south-

Uniform Mileage Rate.

constituency particularly interested in that phase of the railroad problem. be transacted, is urged as a reason why a

Spring Meeting. The spring trotting, pacing and running

Billy Dye (M. H. White, Herford, N. C.). 1 3 2 1 1 Era (F. Thomas, Washington) 2 1 1 2 2 Valley Queen (H. McHenry, Hagerstown, Md.) 3 2 3 3 3 Time, 2.31½, 2.27½, 2.25½, 2.24½, 2.26. Second race—2.22 pace; purse, \$300. Miss Glenn (Tom Cannon, Washington) 1 1 1 Tom Boy (G. R. Richmond, Richmond, Va.) 2 2 3 Sam McKay (Javins Bros., Washington) 3 4 2 Nigger Boy (O. J. Zinn, Washington) 4 3 4 Time, 2.21½, 2.21½, 2.23½. Match race—\$500 a side. 4 Match race—\$500 a side. 5 Match race—\$500 a side. 5 Match race—For runners; half-mile heats; two in three; purse, \$150. Ethelbrytha 1 2 1 Skimmer. 3 1 2 1 Skimmer.

New Consul General at Callao. It is announced at the State Department that Alfred L. M. Gottschalk of New York has been appointed United States consul general at Callao, Peru. This is a promo-tion, Mr. Gottschalk having been consul at

Capt. Edward H. Schulz, Corps of Engineers, has been relieved from duty as re corder of the board of engineers at New York and ordered to Guantanamo, Cuba, for duty pertaining to fortification work at that

in the United States courts. Governmental Rate Fixing. It has been contended by those who favor

railroads can be depended upon to prevent them from going too far down.

Agreement as to Discrimination. The committee and the railroad and other witnesses have agreed that discrimi-

there is a general inclination on the part of the entire committee to strengthen the loy being chosen temporary secretary and law in that regard to the end that all discriminations between shippers may be prevented. That is one and the only feature of the investigation that gives no oppor-Gov. Herrick, Justice of the Supreme Court Davis, Attorney General Ellis, State tunity for a difference of opinion except as to the method that is to be pursued in Freasurer McKinnon and Member of the Board of Public Works Kirtley will be re-

As to Differentials.

nomination of Gen. A. L. Harris for lieutenant governor, but his friends hope that it will be wholly withdrawn before the opening of tomorrow's session of the con-Gov. Herrick was among today's arrivals. Senator Foraker, because of the meeting of the state interstate commerce commission and because of his health, will not attend Contracts Today Awarded by Depart-Several Washington firms were awarded contracts by the Secretary of the Interior whether a government commission could For the printing and photolithograph-

ern ports. Senators Tillman of South Carolina, McLaurin of Mississippi, Carmack of Tennessee and Foster of Louisiana are

members of the committee.

Closely connected with the differentials is the kindred question of establishing a mileage rate by which it would be impossible to give the far west rates that are proportionally very much lower than local rates on the railroads. That would add an immense charge to the shipment of flour and grain, cattle, hogs and all live stock for export. Senators Cullom of Illinois, Dolliver of Iowa, Foraker of Ohio, Clapp of Minnesota and Millard of Nebraska have a

Thos. W. Smith, Church & Stephenson, Thos. R. Riley, W. T. Gallagher & Co., National Mortar Company, Grove Lime and Coal Company, Rudolph, West & Co., Francis Miller, Burgess & Sons Co., J. Edward Chapman, Louis Hartig, Jas. B. The necessity, which the railroads claim they meet, to fix rates so that business can Lamble, Hugh Reilly, E. J. Murphy & Co. and Geo. F. Muth & Co. uniformity of rates on any mileage basis

can never be realized. All these questions will be discussed by the committee before next December in ordr to determine what legislation can be recommended to the Senate. The committee met at 2 o'clock today to talk the matover, but the final sessions at which action by the committee will be taken will probably not be held until next fall,

RACES AT BRIGHTWOOD. Many Present at the Opening of the

meeting of the Brightwood Driving Club was opened yesterday afternoon before a large crowd of spectators-more than have attended this racing contest on any former occasion. The revival of interest was largely due to the large number of District, Maryland and Virginia horses in the events. The present meeting is the first in the District under the control of the lin Mortgage Investment Company of Phil-adelphia for practicing what has been wood Club belongs. The Interest centered largely in the match race between J. Fletcher's Gladstone and

E. T. Hall's Bedford Boy. It required only two heats to make Bedford Boy an easy The following is a sumary of the events: First race—2.30 trot; purse, \$300. Billy Dye (M. H. White, Herford,